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Dear [redacted]

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You will have received, by the time you get this letter, the minutes of the formal coordination meeting FBIS had with the BBC Reception Unit people on 10 July. Roland is forwarding copies from London. This letter, therefore, will report on other activities during my stay at Reading.

On Wednesday, 8 July, Roland took me to call on Marriott and I spent that day being shown around the BBC installation and getting to know people, places, and procedures. On Thursday Roland and I spent the day in London, where I met the people whom I should meet and was given a most thorough briefing on the London wire room by the excellent Frampton.

Friday was spent back at Caversham filling in the points missed during the Wednesday tour and then formally meeting with Belosselsky, Rubinstein, "Nobby" Clark, Roland, and Charlie Jennings. After that meeting was concluded, Roland had a meeting of his staff where we talked over Cyprus and life in Cyprus, and certain details of coordination of the work of the two offices.

Monday, again, was Caversham and further and concluding conversations with BBC monitoring supervisors and Editors. That was Mr. Campbell's first day at Caversham, and I was glad to meet him. Marriott departs 17 July.

In reference to future visits, Marriott said that he plans to send [redacted] to visit us here in November and an editor to visit us in the spring. Campbell plans a visit here in the spring, perhaps with the editor, and it would be all to the good if [redacted] could visit here sometime, perhaps next winter.

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I stayed with [redacted] while I was in the U.K., which gave me a chance to do and listen to a lot of talking. I consider that most valuable and know that I learned a great deal. [redacted] and I ironed out action plans on four monitors: [redacted] new Russian, left the U.K. as I did and is due to arrive here the 20th; [redacted] new Bulgarian, is now set to come here, and I await word as to his ETA; the cases of [redacted] are being referred to your office by memorandum. Roland is still hunting a new Russian for us.

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Arrangements were made for Teletypist [redacted], of this Bureau, to be taken on in the first open spot which [redacted] has. (See Section IV, C. of our June Progress Report.) [redacted] has undertaken to find [redacted] a job in the U.K.

[redacted] and I arranged to exchange copies of current Progress Reports, which should lead to closer coordination between the two stations, and I shall send him copies of our native T/O and new pay scale.

In all, I think the trip was very worth while and I trust that Uncle Sam will get his money's worth out of it. I attach a copy of my little report to this staff.

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Sincerely,

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